Docket No.: 44239-069 **PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yuusuke NAKANO

Serial No.: 09/589,109

Filed: June 08, 2000

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 Also attached: 2 Month Petition for Extension of Time

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	11	20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	6	6	0	\$86.00 =	\$0.00
		Multiple claims newly presented			\$0.00
Fee for extension of time				\$420.00	
					\$0.00
		Total of Above Calculations			\$420.00

 \boxtimes Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$420.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

 \boxtimes The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

The Amendment and Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated July 7,

2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.